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**MS PATENT APPLICATION**  
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Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c).

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For: HYBRID VEHICLE

Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of fourty-three (43) pages
- Eight (8) sheet(s) of formal drawings
- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- Applicant does not claim priority
- Applicant claims the right of priority under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 119 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(a) based on Application No(s). 2003-034325 filed in Japan on February 12, 2003.
  - Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.
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- Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow
- Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
- Preliminary Amendment
- Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee
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